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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 5 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of January 13, 2004, with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 13, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present

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application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

A one month extension of time is believed to be necessary, payment for which is enclosed. If, however, a further extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.